

## JAMES W. GIRVIN

Tells a Good Story About Another  
James W. Girvin.

## NOW THEIR PICTURES GOT MIXED

Another Instance of the Old Adage  
That Truth is Stranger  
Than Fiction.

"Did I ever look like that? Well, hardly," said James W. Girvin on Saturday, when he was asked about the picture in the Call of September 2d that had his name under it.

"And yet that is a picture of James W. Girvin all right, for I happen to know him well; to my sorrow, I might almost say. Do you know that that man has been the bane of my life, almost from the day he was born and was unfortunate enough to be named James W. Girvin, the same as myself? I have run across that man everywhere, in all sorts of odd ways and places. He has opened my mail, cashed my checks, been mistaken for me by hundreds of people from San Diego to San Francisco and back again; in fact, at one time he actually made my life miserable. He was always where I was expected and generally got there first and his name, being the same as mine, people talked to him as the real James W. Girvin and looked on me as an impostor. And it was a singular fact that many of the bills he contracted were presented to me for payment.

"You would hardly believe it possible for two men to cross each other's paths as we have done. About the first time I ran across him was in this way: I owned a lot in Piedmont Cemetery, Oakland, which had the name James W. Girvin painted on a post at the foot. On one of my visits to the cemetery I could not find the lot; at least, not the lot with my name on it. The lots were all about the same size and looked very much alike, and as I had been away some years since the post was put up, I thought I might have mistaken the location. I went to the same lot several times feeling sure it was the right one, but somebody else's name was on the post. I went to the superintendent of the cemetery and asked him if James W. Girvin didn't own a lot there.

"Oh, yes," was the answer, "I take you to it." He took me to the identical lot I thought was mine—the one with the other name on it. I showed him the new name, and then he told me to go to the office and we would look up the records. Now what do you suppose was the result? The other James W. Girvin had also bought a lot in that same cemetery about the same time I did, but a few weeks before his last visit had sold it to his father-in-law, being in need of funds. He was always in need of funds, that fellow Girvin—I mean the other fellow Girvin. Well, the father-in-law of the other Girvin showed his bill of sale of the cemetery lot and had the name changed, but, owing to the similarity of names, his name was put on my lot by mistake. After some trouble, we got the mistake rectified, but it resulted in my getting acquainted with a man who was continually crossing my path afterwards. By some strange fatality we were always meeting, always being mistaken for one another and always getting in to trouble over the mistakes.

"When did you run across him last, Mr. Girvin?" was asked.

"Oh, the last time I was in California. I met him one day on Broadway in Oakland. He was on his uppers and struck me for a loan of \$50. I had not the money in my pocket, but gave him a check for the money on one of the Oakland banks, the cashier of which was one of my personal friends. I made the check payable to James W. Girvin and signed it James W. Girvin without thinking of any further trouble. About an hour after I happened to pass by that particular bank, when my attention was attracted by a loud altercation going on inside. I looked in, and there was the other James W. Girvin and my friend, the cashier, almost coming to blows. It appears that the other Girvin had endorsed my check and presented it for payment. The cashier knew it was not my signature on the back of the check, and, thinking I had drawn it payable to myself instead of the other Girvin, had not only refused to pay it but had accused the other Girvin of wrongfully signing my name to obtain the money. As soon as I went in both parties appealed to me. I said to the cashier, 'The man is right; he is James W. Girvin and I will vouch for him.' The cashier said in all his experience he had never run across such a singular instance resulting from a similarity of names.

"I had thought I had lost track of the other Girvin for good when I returned to the islands about five years ago," concluded Mr. Girvin, "and yet the very first time I wrote a few lines for publication in a San Francisco paper that fellow's picture comes out at the head of it. Now, all his friends and relatives will think he is in the islands and will be writing letters here to him, which, of course, I shall have to open and read. And all my friends on the mainland who see that picture in the Call will be writing to me and asking what has happened to my face and to send them one of my latest pictures."

## ADMIRAL BAMPSON.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—At the conclusion of the Dewey celebration at New York Admiral Bampson will be relieved of the command of the North Atlantic squadron. This action is in

be taken at the request of the admiral, who has already had much more than his portion of sea service in his grade. After a short leave of absence he will be assigned to shore duty, probably in command of one of the navy yards.

## NICARAGUA INVADIED.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 29.—Advices from Nicaragua state that General Louis Mena, the bravest fighter of the Reyes revolt, has placed himself at the head of the refugees in San Salvador, numbering a hundred, defeated the troops on the frontier and is now pressing on to Leon. He hopes to raise an army to attack Zelaya at the capital.

Jose Santos Zelaya, the President of the Nicaraguan republic, against whom the insurrection is directed, is an adventurous, shrewd, politic revolutionary. Zelaya was born in Managua, and is 47 years old. He has large interests as a coffee planter, and has never been anything but a liberal in politics. The conservatives have several times expelled him from the country, but he has won his way to the front by the absolute persistence of his character. Zelaya was educated in Paris, where he spent eight years. He won the rank of general in his campaigns for the liberals in various states of South America, and he is one of the leading spirits of republicanism in the big continent to the south.

## KAAPA'S BIG HAUL

Captures Both Robbers  
and Their Booty.

Over Seven Hundred Dollars  
Stolen By Wharf Rat From  
a Fishmarket Stand.

Chief of Detectives David Kaapa has added another to his already long list of successes. In this instance not only did he capture the thieves but he also recovered almost the entire amount of what was stolen.

There is an old native who presides over a milk-shake and soda-water stand at the Fishmarket. For many years he has hoarded his dimes and nickels until the amount of his possessions increased to the substantial sum of \$712. He had no faith in banks, however, preferring instead to have his earnings ever with him. Last Sunday, according to his usual custom, he went to his "cold-drink" stand, and put his bag of money in a drawer near at hand. After a time he had occasion to leave the place for a few moments. When he came back the drawer was open and every cent of the \$712.65 that it contained was gone.

The old man was almost wild with grief. He reported his case to the police, and David Kaapa at once started to ferret out the thieves. His suspicions were directed toward a gang of Japanese, Chinese, natives and half-castes of all descriptions—wharf-rats whose thieving propensities are developed to an abnormal degree. David watched them carefully and became assured that he was on the right track.

Early yesterday afternoon the climax came. The detective appeared in the midst of the young criminals and singled out three of them. They were taken to the station, loudly protesting innocence and laying the blame on the "other fellow." After a rigid search and examination \$313.40 of the missing money was recovered.

But the chief detective was not yet satisfied. He would not rest until he had the remainder of the \$713.65. Toward evening the result of his further efforts appeared at the station in the shape of three more of the waterfront gang. With them came about \$400 more, which, with what had already been recovered made within a dollar or so of the entire amount taken.

The young culprits are locked up at the Police Station. They are of all sizes, ages and nationalities. Although this is one of the biggest robberies that has occurred in Honolulu the young offenders do not at all seem to realize the enormity of their crime. The case was a difficult one, and for his clever work in both making the arrests and recovering the money Chief of Detectives David Kaapa deserves great commendation.

## FOREIGN NOTES.

Five men were killed in a boiler explosion at Pittsburgh.

The Hendy Machine Works at San Francisco have been destroyed by fire.

Admiral Dewey is having a quiet time and resting on board the Olympia at Villefranche.

Maurice Grau has been created a Knight of the Legion of Honor by the French Government.

John Smith, accused of having sent the infernal dynamite machines to Judge Powers and Warden Dow at Salt Lake last week, was captured in the mountains near Eureka by Marshal Hendon of Eureka.

A special to the Times-Herald from Washington says General Fitzhugh Lee has made an elaborate report on prevailing conditions in the territory of Cuba under his jurisdiction, and taken strong ground for an independent government for the Cubans under an American protectorate.

## MINE DISASTER

Appalling Mortality at a  
Copper Mine.

Six Hundred People Killed and One Thousand Injured—Other Japan News Items of Interest.

The following items are taken from Japanese exchanges brought by the Coptic yesterday:

According to telegrams published in Tokyo papers, 600 people have been killed and some 1,000 injured at the Besshi copper mine, in Iyo province, Shikoku. No details as to the origin of the disaster, etc., are yet known, but it is supposed to have been caused by the inundation of the mine after the recent severe storm of wind and rain. Of the dead, 129 bodies have so far been recovered. A party of surgeons and other helpers have left Osaka for the scene of the catastrophe. The copper mine is the property of the Sumitomo family of Osaka.

According to a telephone communication received by the Jiji from Osaka, the storm raged most fiercely in the neighborhood of the mine from 7 to 9 p. m. on the 28th ult. Considerable damage was done to the property belonging to the mine. At Sekigayama a landslide occurred, demolishing a boarding-house of mine officials and killing seven people. In the mine, however, appalling mortality took place. As far as can be ascertained at present 500 to 600 persons have been killed and about 80 injured. In the railway track No. 3 tunnel fell in burying more than 20 men. A large supply of provisions, etc., is being sent from Osaka and other places, owing to the interruption of the telegraph details are very tardily coming. Before the disaster the total number of officials and miners employed at the mine was 6,000. The loss sustained by the owners, the Sumitomo family, owing to the present catastrophe, is roughly estimated at 100,000 yen.

## PLAGUE IN MAURITIUS.

LONDON, August 28.—News from Mauritius for the week ending the 24th inst. states that during the week forty-five cases of plague were reported, with thirty-three deaths.

## SITUATION IN INDIA.

LONDON, August 29.—In consequence of the lack of rain, and an apprehended failure of the crops, prices are rising throughout India.

## ITALY AND CHINA.

SHANGHAI, August 28.—It is wired from Rome that a semi-official note was published there, announcing that, despite the Italian Government's intention to keep its negotiations with China on peaceful and commercial lines, complications might arise should China meet Italy's moderate demands with a persistent refusal.

## LI HUNG CHANG.

SHANGHAI, August 28.—It is rumored that Li Hung Chang has been appointed Minister of the Northern Navy, Yung Lu Minister of the Southern Navy, and Kang-I Vice Minister of the Southern Navy.

## ITALIAN DEMANDS.

PEKING, August 27.—The following are said to be the gist of demands presented by Italy on the Chinese Government: (1) The construction of a railway between Chekiang and Chinkiang, (2) the working of certain mines in Canton and Ning-po, (3) the creation of an Italian course in the Peking University, (4) the developing of the Si-san coal mine and the construction of a railway connected therewith.—Japan Times.

## TAIPEI, August 26.—On the 23d inst. the Japanese and Chinese Commissioners engaged in the demarcation of the Japanese settlement in Amoy, on landing in the vicinity of Kotozan, were attacked by a mob several hundred strong. Mr. Matsumoto, of the Consulate, and a police inspector were injured. The Chinese officials ran away, alleging that they would bring soldiers. Mr. Matsumoto barely escaped by plunging into the sea, and he was afterwards picked up by a boat belonging to the Japanese Consulate. Business was suspended at Amoy for the day and there was a demonstration against the Japanese residents.

## DISTURBANCE AT AMOY.

TAIPEI, August 28.—The Japanese residents of Amoy held a meeting on the 24th inst. and passed the following resolutions: (1) The expression of sympathy be made to the injured persons, (2) the despatch of a man-of-war be applied for, (3) the Taotai be approached with a view of severely punishing the ringleaders of the recent mob and for payment of compensation. The cruiser Takachino arrived at Amoy on the morning of the 25th inst. and the town is now quiet.

The injuries received by Mr. Matsumoto, clerk of the Consulate, are said to be serious.

## CHINESE TROOPS DEFEATED.

Intelligence has been received in Canton of the disastrous and signal defeat of the Imperial troops by the bandits in the West river districts. A body of about 500 soldiers has, in effect, been cut to pieces; about half the number were killed outright and a moiety of the remainder wounded. The engagement took place at a place called Cot-kow, on the West river and the fight was fiercely maintained, the Imperialists being surprised and surrounded. The rebels only lost about fifty to sixty men. A fresh force consisting of some 2,000 men has been despatched from Canton to suppress the insurrection. They are likely to find all their work cut out for them.

## GOOD BLOOD

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The Temperance Hotel, Nuuanu street, has been sold to Mr. W. F. Arnold.

Mrs. E. G. Hitchcock and Ed. N. Hitchcock are over from the Rainy City.

The engagement of Miss Alice M. Giles to R. J. Putnam of Louisiana is announced.

The Board of Health will take up the Dr. Howard investigation tomorrow afternoon.

Hilo Foresters have leased Spreckels' hall for three years for lodge-room purposes.

James Thompson, one of the Circuit Court clerks, has been granted a two weeks' vacation.

The Myrtle-Healani barge race next Saturday is causing not a little talk and excitement.

Major Jones, formerly quartermaster general at Manila, was a through passenger on the Coptic.

A guard of mounted patrol has been placed over the Camp McKinley store of the late Mrs. Cowles.

Among the Doris's through passengers is Dr. Vilas, brother of Senator and ex-Postmaster General Vilas.

Mrs. William Matson is over from Hilo. Captain Matson is expected to arrive from the Mainland on the 13th.

Salt water is now being used exclusively in street-sprinkling, and it certainly does not dry up so rapidly as the fresh.

Interest now centers on the yacht race between the Bonnie Dundee and the Gladys next Wednesday, and the national regatta Saturday.

Those interested in art will be pleased to know that the classes in the art department of Oahu College are open to all at moderate tuition rates.

The fair and luncheon in connection with the Sewing Society of St. Andrew's Cathedral will take place on Saturday, September 30, afternoon and evening.

At a meeting of directors of the Honolulu Rapid Transit & Land Co., held on August 25th, W. R. Castle was elected a director, in place of C. S. Desky, resigned, and Charles H. Atherton was elected secretary, in place of J. A. Gilman, resigned.

Chief Justice and Mrs. Judd were among the outbound passengers on the Coptic. The bench, bar and court attaches, as well as many friends of the Chief Justice, were on hand to wish him a safe and pleasant journey and a speedy return to health.

Dr. John Dewey and Mrs. Dewey, who have been occupying Mrs. S. M. Castle's cottage in Manoa, will be located for the remainder of their stay in Honolulu at Mrs. Dodge's, on Vineyard street. They are booked for the America Maru of September 19.

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CITY OF PEKING	OCT. 21	CHINA	OCT. 24
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Leaving Honolulu at 1 p. m. on Mondays, Fridays and Wednesday, arriving at Hilo the following afternoons.

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Freight will be received at Honolulu at the Kinau wharf on the day previous to sailing and on sailing days up to 12 m. for Makana, Kawaihae, Hilo, Papakou, Pepeekeo and Honolulu.

Freights for Lahaina, Kihel and Mahukona and from Kawaihae and Makana will be taken by the steamer Kilauea Hou, sailing from Honolulu on Mondays at 5 p. m. The Kinau will not take freight for ports other than those indicated above.

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